[English]

Telicherry-Mysore National Highway

5170. SHRI KODIKKUNNIL SURESH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telicherry-Mysore road has been declared as a National Highway;

(b) if so, the date from which it was declared as National Highway and whether the development work on the road has been started; and

(c) if not, the time by which the work on the road is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

Effect of Modernisation on Performance of Textile Mills

5171. SHRI A. CHARLES Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred on the modernisation of textile mills during the Seventh Plan period and amount spent on each mill;

(b) whether any study has been made by the Government to ascertain the effect of modernisation on the overall performance of those mills;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) The amount of loan sanctioned and disbursed to textile mills under Textile Modernisation Fund Scheme till 31st March, 1990 i.e., at the end of the Seventh Plan period are as under :

	(Provisional) Sanctioned (Amount)	(Rs. Crores) Disbursed (Amount)
Modernisation Loan (including Special Loan)	971.85	524.84
Foreign Currency Loan	24.41	6.55

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) IDBI made a study of the units assisted under TMFS which has implemented their modernisation scheme. Most of them were spinning units. Even in case of composite units, emphasis was mainly on strengthening spinning department. Modernisation led to significant improvement in overall Machine and Labour Productivity, Reduction in Waste, Better price Realisation and Profitability. Modernisation has also enabled these units, both spinning and